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NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of Inventor(s): Yorihiko Sakai, Mitsuyoshi Shindo and Hiroshi Ashikawa

Title: INFORMATION STORAGE SYSTEM, SERVER APPARATUS AND INFORMATION CONTROL METHOD

Priority Claim: Japanese Patent Application No. P11-348118 filed December 7, 1999

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